

# **Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee**

# 1<sup>st</sup> Floor City Council Conference Room Area 'B' Monday, April 8, 2013 APPROVED MINUTES

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

George 'Andy' Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver, Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

## Regular Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

This meeting room is wheelchair accessible. Accommodations and access to City meetings for people with other handicaps may be requested of the City Clerk(499-5002) five working days in advance of the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order at 5:32

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Andy Anderson, Lance 'Scott Garver, Michael Petersen, Phil

Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

Members Absent: Dennis Speer

Staff Present: Ron Strand, Karen Harker

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** ChairmanThomas asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Salvatore made the motion, seconded Mr. Anderson. The recording Secretary Karen Harker indicated that there was a typo to the agenda regarding the date of the next regularly scheduled meeting. It should read April 22 not April 27. Also Mr. Petersen informed the Secretary that his last name ended in an "en" not and "on". The agenda was then approved as submitted.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Chairman Thomas asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from March 11, 2013. Mr. Andersen made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Salvatore. The minutes were then approved as submitted.

## PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No public comments

#### **DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

 Police budget history – Mr. Salvatore does not have a budget presentation tonight at this meeting because Ms. Sloan has been on vacation and unable to meet with him. She has also been very busy with the budget. He was going to go over staffing levels but not budgetary numbers at this time. Discussed staffing levels from 2008 through 2012. Also discussed levels as it is with the COPs grants with the 2013 levels. Professional levels are still 16 out of 18. I was hoping to have handouts in dollar and cents, but I will have something to show at the next meeting.

#### **Public Comments:**

Paul Vanderwerf – is the bulk of the Measure L monies being taken for salaries and two police cars. It will be interesting to see the numbers that you come up with.

Stan Ratorja – Measure L not a lot of augmenting of police. Maybe just the police cars. This is just an observation. Mr. Anderson commented Measure L money backfilled the Police Department and is going to Salaries and all the other departments should also be cutting by 20%.

Mr. Garver – Do you anticipate Chief Strand a net gain or net loss by the end of year. Chief Strand indicated that if the City Council wanted him to make the cuts at the middle of the year without the Measure L he would have been down to 25 officers.

Mr. Petersen – "hypothetically questioned appropriate staffing levels for the police department".

Chief Strand – 1.5 million from RDA across all departments. My job is to maintain public safety within the department. I also needed a stable work force.

Mr. Garver – Was it your plan to have more police officers
Chief Strand – Need based depending on what was happening in our community.
Never to grow just to grow.

Mr. Garver – AB109 trickle-down effect to the community Chief Strand – AB30 will be distributed by the Chiefs to the different agencies and the Chiefs in the area are working on what to do with the money to help with the AB109 effect.

Discussed the budget for the years of the 2008- 2012. Discussed that the internal service funds were not around in the years of 2004-2006, 2007.

# 2. Update to quarterly report – Petersen

No update to the quarterly report. Section 4 - The City Council Action of Measure L is where this section will need to be updated. Discussed when the Interim Report will be done in May and if they wanted to move the report forward. Mr. Salvatore stated he will have items for the report and should have the Interim report published. Mr. Neel would like to make sure that the papers get this

interim report so that it can be in the papers. Karen Harker stated that she would make sure that they were on the distribution list.

#### CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Andersen- Firm budget numbers in each of the departments took a 20% cut so that there was no backfill in the police department.

Mr. Salvatore – what portion should police to streets 15 million should be tax bond and then 1.5 thereafter to help maintain the streets. Need to look at what portion of the funds can help with this maintenance. How much are we going to TDA and Article 8 to maintain a certain number of streets.

Mr. Petersen – Overall budget reduction in each department without Measure L.

Mr. Garver- How long the City Council is going to use the RDA and the dissolution of it to state that we have a budget crisis...... random cuts and taking RDA money and the ratio of safety to streets.

Mr. Garver – Chief much of the cars were local. Chief the cars and wraps were done locally and the radio were out sourced for safety reasons.

#### SUPPORT STAFF COMMENTS

Chief Strand - May 9 there will be an open house 6-8. Facebook account so that we can control the right message and stopping the rumors.

Question about the cars:

Chief Strand stated that we tend to run the wheels off and then auction off at property room.com. Service warranty to the cars so that they have a longer life and the mechanic doesn't have to spend as much time on them. Our fleet is getting larger so that there are officers with one car for more accountability. Discussed the maintenance of car and how it is run at shop.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Police budget history
- 2. Update to quarterly report Petersen

**NEXT MEETING:** Regular Meeting April 22, 2013

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:35